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New Constitution Discussed; Students to Decide Its Fate

At last week's meeting of the Undergraduate Association the proposed Student Association Constitution as presented in the April 20 issue of The CAMPUS was discussed and revised before presentation to the student body.

No legislation was enacted since a quorum was lacking for the second consecutive meeting, but it was decided to present the proposed constitution to the student body for discussion April 24 and for a vote on May 1.

The following revisions were made in the version printed in the last issue of The CAMPUS:

In Article IV (The Cabinet), Section I (Membership), Paragraph A (Male Members), clause two was added as follows: "Four freshmen elected in the first semester at the direction of the Cabinet."

Clause two of Article IV, Section II (Powers and Duties of the Cabinet), Paragraph A, was changed to read "To pass legislation pertaining to all purely student affairs which shall be binding on all undergraduates."

Clause five of the same paragraph was also added: "The legislative power of any student organization, chartered by the Student Association, shall be subsidiary to the legislative power of the Cabinet, and any legislation initiated by these organizations which the Cabinet feels detrimental to the best interests of the students of Middlebury College shall be subject to review and approval by the Cabinet."

In Article IV, Section III (Officers), Paragraph E (The Treasurer), sentence b of clause two was amended to read "Shall keep a duplicate record of all Student Association finances."

Finally, the introductory paragraph of Article V (Men's and Women's Committees) was eliminated from the proposed constitution.

Other sections of the constitution which were discussed, but not changed, deal with the men's and women's committees of the Student Association and the election of the president by only the men and of the vice-president by the women.

At the meeting an elections committee was appointed to supervise voting on the proposed constitution by students. Members are Alfred Farrell '61, Paul Frinsko '61, Harold Fergus '62, Barbara Miller '62 and Ann Thornton '62.

CUBAN SITUATION

Wayne S. Smith, former third secretary in the American embassy in Havana, will speak on the Cuban situation Tuesday at 10:00 a. m. in Wright Theater. He will also lecture to the Tuesday meeting of Political science 11. All students are invited to attend both lectures.

Journal Presents Original Thought

A new "voice for original thought" is to be heard this May at Middlebury, in the form of the Middlebury Journal of Arts and Sciences." This journal is the result of the combined work of its two originators and editors, Paul Radin '61, a philosophy and classics major, and Kenneth Rothe '61, a physics major.

The purpose of having two editors is to assure that the work of the journal be both from the arts and the sciences. Radin and Rothe, commenting on the scope of the journal, said that it will contain "essays on significant issues in the arts and sciences of a similar quality to that of honors work."

In each issue there will also be a student symposium on a subject of special interest. It will be the purpose of these symposiums to stimulate and focus interest on significant problems: "Science and the Future of Mankind" or "The Aims of Education."

The editors further stressed that "the editorial bias is excellence. The journal will be published only when sufficient material of high quality warrants publication."

Contributions of such caliber from Middlebury students, either in the form of scientific or humanistic achievements, are welcomed by the editors. The journal will be continued next year under the direction of two student editors to be chosen for their "high standing and breadth of culture," one from the arts, and one from the sciences, Radin and Rothe stated.

Pan-Hellenic Council Makes Decision On Code Violation

Sarah Howland '62, president of the Panhellenic Council, last week announced a decision of the council regarding a violation of Middlebury College Drinking and Social codes. The statement of the council is as follows:

"It was recently brought to the attention of the Panhellenic Council that the Middlebury College Drinking and Social Code had been violated by the possession of liquor in sorority rooms. The violation occured when liquor was used in the preparation of food by the senior members of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

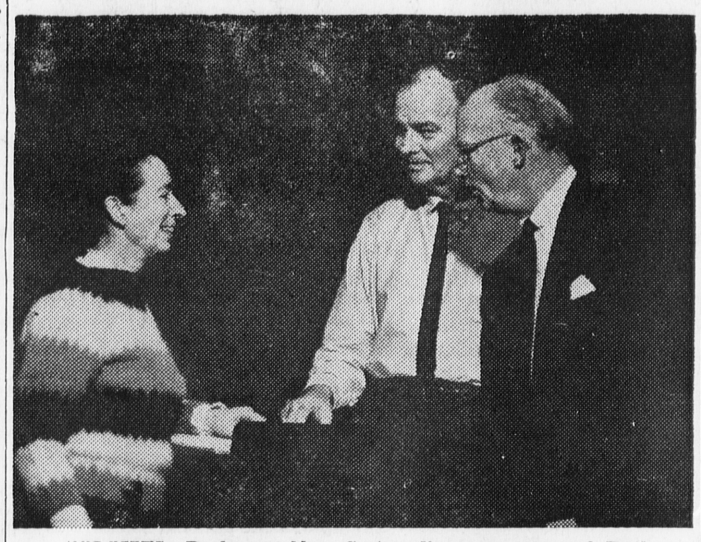
"Normally, such action would lead to social probation of the whole sorority. However, under the circumstances, the people responsible for the violation were seniors, and would not have been affected by such a penalty.

"According to the Constitution and By-Laws of Kappa Kappa Gamma, members of the sorority who have violated the standards of conduct of their college may be placed on social probation by the sorority. Kappa Kappa Gamma was allowed by the Panhellenic Council to proceed with this action, chosing it over the entire sorority's being placed on social probation by the Panhellenic Council, which would have been the only alternative.

"The Panhellenic Council wishes to make clear the fact that it considers the possession and use of alcohol by Middlebury women in sorority rooms a serious violation of the Middlebury College Social and Drinking Code, and such action will not be tolerated in the future.

"Hereafter, when such cases are brought to the attention of the Panhellenic Council, the sorority involved will be placed on social probation by the Panhellenic Council; the length of the penalty to be determined at the time of the violation. This would be in addition to any action taken under recent Women's Undergraduate Association legislation."

Arts Festival Begins Friday; Music, Drama On Program



SOLOISTS: Professor Alan Carter discusses score of Brahms Concerto with soloists Virginia deBlasiis and George Finckel.

Exhibit, Four Films, Concert Scheduled

"It is extremely worthwhile in these days of popular concern for achievement in science to take some special thought for the relevance of the arts in a well balanced educational program." The product of this "special thought" advocated by President Samuel S. Stratton in the above statement is "The Arts at Middlebury College," a two-weekend cultural program beginning tomorrow night.

Dr. Stratton continues: "It is particularly significant that students and faculty are willing to give of their time and talent to bring to our entire community a Festival of the Arts. For this opportunity to enjoy a concentrated program of music, art, and drama, we are appreciative, but in the current Arts Festival we also find recognition of a basic objective of a liberal education."

The first of the arts to be presented is that of the dance. "Silhouettes of Broadway" will glide across the stage of the Wright Memorial Theater tomorrow night at 8:15 as the Dance Club opens the festival. Under the direction of Marjorie Gassner '62, president of Dance Club, the members will present selections from several musicals including "The Boy Friend," "Carousel," "West Side Story," "Porgy and Bess," and "Guys and Dolls."

The paintings of Alan Gussow, a Middlebury graduate currently on the faculty of the Parsons School of Design, will be exhibited at Proctor Hall on Saturday afternoon, with a reception at 4 p. m. The seven oil paintings which will be shown were painted on a small island, Monhegan, off the coast of Maine. Gussow was awarded the Prix de Rome in the spring of 1953, and his paintings have been included in numerous shows.

Four films will be presented on Saturday evening at Wright Memorial Theater: test shots from "Hamlet," the only film of John Barrymore as Hamlet; "High and Dizzy," a comedy with Harold Lloyd; "A Communications Primer" and "La Lettre," two films on design. The presentation will begin at 7 p. m.

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Jazz Band Plans Friday Concert

Chris Barber's Band will give a free Dixieland Jazz concert tomorrow from 4 to 5:30 p. m. on the terrace of Redfield Proctor Hall. The event is sponsored by the Culture Committee of the Board of Governors.

This British jazz band is currently on tour in the United States. Its recording of "Petite Fleur" may be its most renowned work, but this British "traditional" jazz group has become celebrated in America for music based on the New Orleans ensemble style of George Lewis' band. The group's scope includes a form of American "revivalist" jazz and compositions by Duke Ellington and John Lewis of the Modern Jazz Quartet.

Barber is billed as a "brash trombonist" and Pat Halcox as a "capable trumpeter." Monty Sunshine is the clarinetist. Miss Ottilie Patterson is noted for her brogue-flavored blues. Rhythm is supplied by banjo, bass and drums.

Junior Weekend Termed Success By Co-Chairmen

"This year's Junior Weekend was a success both socially and financially," believes Victor Micati '62, co-chairman of the weekend with Constance Morgan Watkins.

Micati went on to explain that although a few bills have not been paid the class of '62 is now in the black and probably still will be by the time all expenses are met.

Attendance at both the dance Friday night and the Weavers on Saturday was good with about 650 rocking and rolling and 1100 enjoying the concert.

One of the highlights of the weekend came Friday night when Alpha Tau Omega's candidate Susan Stevens '62 was chosen Junior Weekend Queen after three days of hard campaigning by the fraternities. Miss Stevens is a Junior Counselor and a member of Sigma Kappa. She was chosen by a vote of the women in an extremely close race which saw Delta Kappa Epsilon's Anne Morgan '62 and Jean Yeomans '62, Sigma Phi Epsilon's nominee, runners up.

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Festival Schedule

Friday, April 29, Dance Club Program, 8:15 p. m., Wright Memorial Theater.

Saturday, April 29, Art Exhibition by Alan Gussow, Redfield Proctor Hall; reception, Redfield Proctor Hall, 4 p. m.; Film Presentation, 7 p. m., Wright Memorial Theater.

Sunday, April 30, Vermont Symphony Concert, 8:15 p. m., Memorial Field House.

Waubanakee, Blue Key Tap New Members

Blue Key and Waubanakee tapped new members during ceremonies Sunday in Mead Memorial Chapel. Seven seniors, eleven juniors and five sophomores were selected for Blue Key. Six men were tapped for Waubanakee.

From the class of 1961, Blue Key honored William Butler, Peter Connal, Thomas Dabney, Robert Gay, Norman Higgins, Tor Hultgren and Bruce Johnstone.

Charles Allen, James Bernene, Robert Donner, George Fisher, Erik Green, Stephen Green, William Jackson, James Laird, Victor Micati, Gilbert Owren and Peter Steinle were tapped from the Class of 1962.

Members of the class of 1963 who were chosen are John Bower, Dates Fryberger, Thomas Mettee, Craig Stewart and John Weekes.

Waubanakee tapped Stephen Crampton, John Foran and Leonard Kaufmann, all '61, and Erik Green, Gilbert Owren and James Shattuck, all '62.

A Blue Key Scholarship of $100 was presented to Fletcher Manley '62. Keith Van Winkle and Kernan Claflin shared the Blue Key trophy for the outstanding member of the freshman class.

James Shattuck '62, president of Blue Key, spoke of the organization's new aim to bring speakers and lecturers to the campus.

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Visiting Geologist Lectures Today, Tomorrow Night

Dr. Edmund M. Spieker, professor of geology at Ohio State University, is on campus this week to deliver several lectures both in the classroom and to the public. He will also discuss careers and training in geology with majors and other interested students.

Spieker will deliver two lectures open to the public without charge. His lecture tonight will be entitled "The Nature of Geology as a Science." His Friday lecture is on "Migrating Shorelines in the Cretaceous of Utah and Colorado." Both lectures will be given in Warner Hemicycle beginning at 7:30.

Associated with Ohio State since 1928, Spieker's research has been centered in the coal fields of Utah and western Colorado. He has also contributed toward clarifying the basis for subdividing geological time in terms of mountain-building.

Unified Government

The latest proposal for a Student Association constitution will, if accepted, provide a good basis for a long-lacking strong student government at Middlebury.

The two singly most important aspects of the proposal are that it will allow for a unified student government and that this government will be supreme.

Under the proposed constitution men's and women's committees of the Student Association will be formed. A committee, by its very definition, is able to discuss but not to legislate. By withholding legislative power from the men's and women's groups the proposed constitution will help solve the problem of division of power which has plagued student government at Middlebury since the birth of the Undergraduate Association.

On the other hand, there is a definite need for having the men or women of the SA Cabinet meet alone to discuss matters pertaining solely to students of their own sex. The proposed constitution recognizes this.

A second weakness which the UA has encountered is the supremacy of its legislative authority. The proposed constitution leaves little doubt as to its intention in this field. It states that "the legislative power of any student organization, chartered by the Student Association, shall be subsidiary to the legislative power of the Cabinet, and any legislation initiated by these organizations which the Cabinet feels detrimental to the best interests of the students of Middlebury College shall be subject to review and approval by the Cabinet."

This is perhaps the most important statement of the SA's power in the proposed constitution. If enforced by interested legislators, it must lead to a student government far stronger and much more workable than the present UA.

The biggest change which has been incorporated in the latest version of the SA Constitution over the previous proposal is the membership in the Cabinet.

By having as members of the Cabinet representatives elected solely for the purpose of serving in the SA Cabinet, instead of students attending meetings as part of their duties of another office, the SA is more likely to have members who are directly interested in student government. This should help alleviate the problem of poor attendance which has been so frustrating with the UA.

Also, the requirement that the president be elected from the members of the Cabinet will assure that the top officer is a student who has a good knowledge of and background in the problems and administration of student government.

The proposed constitution, then, is basically a worthwhile suggestion which can lead to a strong student government. But students would be foolish to think it is a panacea for student government problems at Middlebury. The only way in which they can insure that the proposed SA or present UA will ever have a meaningful voice in College affairs is to give it active support and be interested in its operations.

We recommend that students vote in favor of the proposed SA Constitution Monday, but we also recommend that students take a greater interest in student government if they wish to have their rightful say in College affairs.

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FACULTY FORUM

Castor Discusses Laotian Crisis, Finds Lessons To Be Learned

By WILLIAM CASTOR
Instructor in
Contemporary Civilization

Today the United States finds itself in delicate situations throughout the world. One of the most delicate is in remote Laos.

What is the nature of this headline-making Buddhist country?

Laos, frequently described as a "tiny jungle Kingdom," is actually twice the size of Pennsylvania though its population is probably roughly equivalent to that of Philadelphia. It produces little more than opium for export. When I was there in 1959, the only industrial enterprise I heard that had been established there was a Green Spot bottling plant at Savannakhet. (Green Spot is the brand name of certain fruit-flavored soft drinks sold in that area.)

The people do not give the slightest impression of ambition or industriousness. The government itself exemplifies the national inertia. For example, in 1959, even though there were reports of Red activity in the northern provinces, there were no precautions taken by the authorities to see who entered the country. The immigration officers at the ferry landing still closed down for their customary lunch hour — from 11:30 to 3 p. m.! Even when the checkpost was open, from all accounts, stopping at it was strictly voluntary.

The Laotians show no great concern or even understanding of the distinctions between East and West. The question should then arise, if they do not care about their future, why should we? The major answer is that Laos has an important geographical position. From the viewpoint of the West, Laos in Communist hands would subject Thailand and Cambodia to direct Red pressure and infiltration, and would also make the position of South Vietnam even more difficult. The greatest concern would be for Thailand which has a strongly pro-Western government. It also has large groups of Vietnamese whose sympathies lie with the government of North Vietnam. It happens that many of this potential fifth column are located in Nongkai province, directly across the Mekong River from Vietiane.

Psychological Effect

Perhaps the most important aspect of the Laotian situation is the psychological effect that Laos, takeover by the Communists would have. During recent years, the significance of the country has been greatly exaggerated and its fall would put the U. S. in a most unfavorable light as far as Asians nations, above all Thailand, are concerned. The fall of Laos would lend weight to the Red Chinese charge that the U. S. is a "paper tiger."

These, then, are the reasons for the great significance of an otherwise insignificant country.

The U. S. has several alternatives with respect to Laos. None of them can provide much comfort in Washington. The least undesirable of them would be the creation of a neutralized Laos. This in itself would be quite desirable except for the difficulty of guaranteeing that neutralization would not merely be a prelude to a Red takeover. Even if the Communists did not take over the nation outright, the terrain of the country and the effectiveness of the government are such that the Reds could probably use Laotian territory with virtual impunity.

Another possibility would be **de facto** partition of the country. This would be even less likely to alleviate the situation for long.

The least desirable alternative would be direct military intervention. The terrain and lines of communication in Laos are simply incompatible with large-scale military action such as took place in Korea. Furthermore, most supplies would have to be flown in and there are only a couple of airfields which can handle large planes. By necessity, military action would be of a guerrilla nature. In short, there are excellent reasons for not getting bogged down in military action in Laos.

This is admittedly a greatly, and probably overly, condensed statement of the unfortunate situation in Laos.

Lessons To Be Learned

There is one point which I would like to make concerning Laos. There are lessons to be learned from our unhappy experience there. One is not to place the U. S. in a position where it overemphasizes the importance of a place which not only does not warrant the emphasis placed upon it, but also where it could be made extremely difficult for us to carry out commitments which are made either specifically or appear to have been made on the basis of our activity and interest in that place.

The second and perhaps most pertinent, lesson is that not all problems can be solved by the simple expedient of spending money. This, unfortunately, seems to have been the philosophy of influential groups in our government during recent decades. However, in this article we will limit the point to foreign aid.

Appalling History

The history of American aid to Laos has been appalling. Unfortunately relatively little concerning it has been publicized in this country. It has been a story of graft, corruption, and bureaucratic coverups. One national news magazine which frequently likes to bite into things of this sort, has, except for skimming over the situation, been strangely quiet about it. But the explanation for this may possibly lie in the fact that perhaps the big-

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To The Editor

Values?

To the Editor:

Re certain Blue Key selections: It requires an equal abundance of leadership and school service to successfully guide Culture Conference, Frontiers, Religion, The CAMPUS and other like activities as it does to run a play on the athletic field.

After the age of thirty-five, those who have made a broader contribution to the school will still be engaging in worthwhile community pursuits rather than periodically fighting to keep the tarnish from their L. G. Balfour trophies.

Paul Wrubel '61

Your Own Fault

To the Editor:

It is with some amusement that I read each week letters characterized by criticisms of Middlebury which are directed against everyone but those responsible for the real or imagined shortcomings of the college — the students.

Many a lecturer or artist has come to Middlebury in the past five years only to be greeted by a handful of listeners. Most professors have had the experience of leading a discussion where the audience was, by choice, unresponsive. All too often, the opportunity offered by a small institution is totally

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One Act Plays Reviewed; Good Acting, Directing Cited

By BETTY ANN COOPER

A modern Western drama, a mournful Irish piece, and a Russian farce comprised the second series of student directed and designed one-act plays presented at Wright Memorial Theater last Thursday evening. The plays themselves were not as interesting or provocative as those of the first series. They were often as well designed, directed and acted.

The bare outlines of a Texas jail provided a very effective setting for the first play, "Hello Out There" by William Saroyan. The lack of clutter in this simple set, designed by Anne Bossi '62 and Charles Canterbury '63, left the audience free to fix its attention on the tense drama.

Tense the drama certainly was. Tense and loud. Duncan Kendall '64 in the role of a young man wrongly accused of rape began the play with startling cries of "hello out there," and his portrayal of loneliness and frustration stayed on this loud note throughout the play. It was a valid portrayal and showed much fine acting.

Lacked Variety

A little more variety in interpretation would have made the role more realistic, however, and would have engaged the audience's sympathy for the hero more easily. The moment in which Kendall falls in love with the hired girl would have been more believable if it had been preceded by some quiet and unhurried dialogue. As it was, there was a question as to whether he was really in love or was merely using her as a means of escape.

Cynthia Chase '64 carried her role of the hired girl to the opposite extreme of loudness. She simply portrayed no personality.

Randall McNarmara '64 made the most of the difficult role of the enraged husband. His supposedly "wronged" wife was portrayed by Phyllis Cole '62 with the perfect costume and actions to illustrate her true character.

One question: was the record before the arrival of the lynching mob supposed to be a car or an old fashioned western horse?

The Moon Also Rises

Before the arrival of the second play was a better recording, "The Rising of the Moon," a folk song setting the mood for this drama of patriotism and the Irish Rebellion. Following the song came three police officers, speaking in an incomprehensible brogue to the back wall. A few minutes later arrived some waves lapping the dock. The moon, unfortunately, did not make its appearance until the middle of the play, when someone finally found the switch.

When the police officers spoke coherently, they were very good. Smith Mowry and John Vechiola, both '64, were appropriately terse and official as policemen. William Woodward '64 turned in a fine interpretation of the sergeant torn between duty and idealism. In the role of the ragged man Richard Douglas '64, moved smoothly from

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CORRECTION

In last week's issue of the CAMPUS the 1961 Christmas vacation was incorrectly noted as beginning on December 18. Christmas vacation will start December 13.

Teams Will Go To Compete

The annual Intercollegiate Woodsmen's Weekend will take place May 5-7 at Paul Smith's College in New York. Schools sending teams to the competition this year are Dartmouth, Middlebury, University of Maine, West Point, Nichols, which is a Massachusetts business and forestry school, and Paul Smith, a New York State School of forestry. Teams from three other schools including the University of New Hampshire are tentatively planning to attend.

Six persons comprise a team. The Mountain Club hopes to send two men's teams and possibly a women's team. The teams will leave Friday afternoon and plan to return some time Sunday afternoon, May 7.

Some of the woodsmen's events in which the various teams will compete are: felling for accuracy, speed-chopping, splitting, log rolling, pulp throwing, firebuilding and a back-board race. Other events include fly and bait casting for distance and accuracy, and single, double and slalom canoe races. During the evenings there will be dancing and parties.

CULTURE CONFERENCE

Michael Riess '62 and Marion Matheke '62 have been named co-chairmen of the 1962 Culture Conference. They have posted a sign-up sheet in Proctor Hall for all those who are interested in working on the conference, and will choose their committee from this list. Next year's theme will be decided after the committee has been chosen.

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Chapel Committee Discusses Problem

In an open meeting last Thursday night, approximately thirty students participated in a discussion of the chapel controversy. According to James Shattuck '62, the chairman of the Student Chapel Evaulation Committee, the concensus was that the current chapel system needs improvement. The methods of improvement are still open to discussion.

Compulsory attendance in both academic and religious realms was considered.

Shattuck said that the chapel problem was now in suspension. Therefore, the committee is free to give to the administration and Board of Trustees whatever answers to the existing problems the students decide upon. Shattuck urges anyone having constructive recstantiate them to see him, or to attend the next open meeting, which will be within two weeks.

IRC Plans Talk

The International Relations Club will present a talk by Frederick Heath, instructor in History, on the subject of United States Politics in the Far East. He will speak on May 3 and will concentrate on this country's relationship with Nationalist China.

The club is also planning to send a delegation to a regional meeting of the Collegiate Council of the United Nations. It will be held May 5-6 at Amherst College. Recently, Peter Spalding '61 spoke to the club on Latin American Dictatorships. Having lived in the Dominican Republic for several years, he told of his experiences there.

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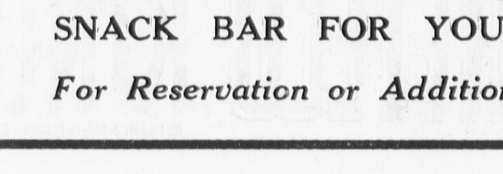

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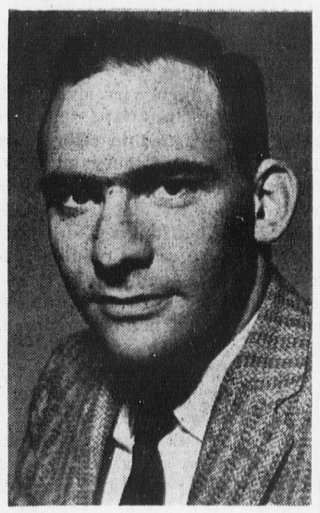

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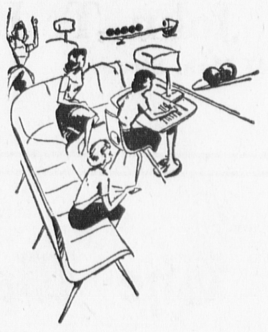

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To The Editor . . .

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neglected. Too frequently, the challenge to do extensive reading and intensive study is rejected by a majority of students.

Most evident is the recent tendency to offer highly irrelevant criticisms of the proposed changes which are designed to offer more challenge to Middlebury students. The life science major is criticized on the somewhat tenuous grounds that it is not befitting a liberal arts institution. The senior reading program is condemned before it has begun on the ridiculous assumption that seniors will not be prepared. This does not say much for the maturity, the motivations, or the sense of responsibility of Middlebury students. One's education must depend, ultimately, upon an attitude toward one's self, one's world and one's work which places a high value on personal inquiry and intellectual search.

The success of a collegiate institution depends upon three things: admissions standards, faculty and, most important, the student body. Just as a democratic society depends, in the final analysis, upon the intelligence and integrity of the electorate, so a college community derives its greatest success from active intellectual participation on the part of the students. My feeling is that Middlebury students would do well to direct their thoughts and comments toward the one target regularly omitted — themselves. **Anne Horton '60**

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Mountain Club Has Ideas for Weekends

This weekend the Mountain Club will run three hikes. Sunday there is a day hike to White Rocks. Two groups will go to Worth Mountain, one leaving Saturday for an overnight and the other for a work hike.

Next weekend three more outdoor trips have been scheduled: an overnight to Mount Clair Glen, a day hike Sunday to Camel's Hump and a work hike along the Bread Loaf Trail. Those wishing to attend should sign up in the Mountain Club office by 5 p. m. Wednesday.

Remember, Drive With Care
Slow Down and Live

Republican Club Elects Its Officers For Coming Year

Thomas Koch '64 was elected president of the Young Republicans at the club's meeting last week. Also elected were William English '63, vice president and Marshall Montgomery '64 secretary-treasurer. William Castor, instructor in contemporary civilization, will remain as faculty advisor.

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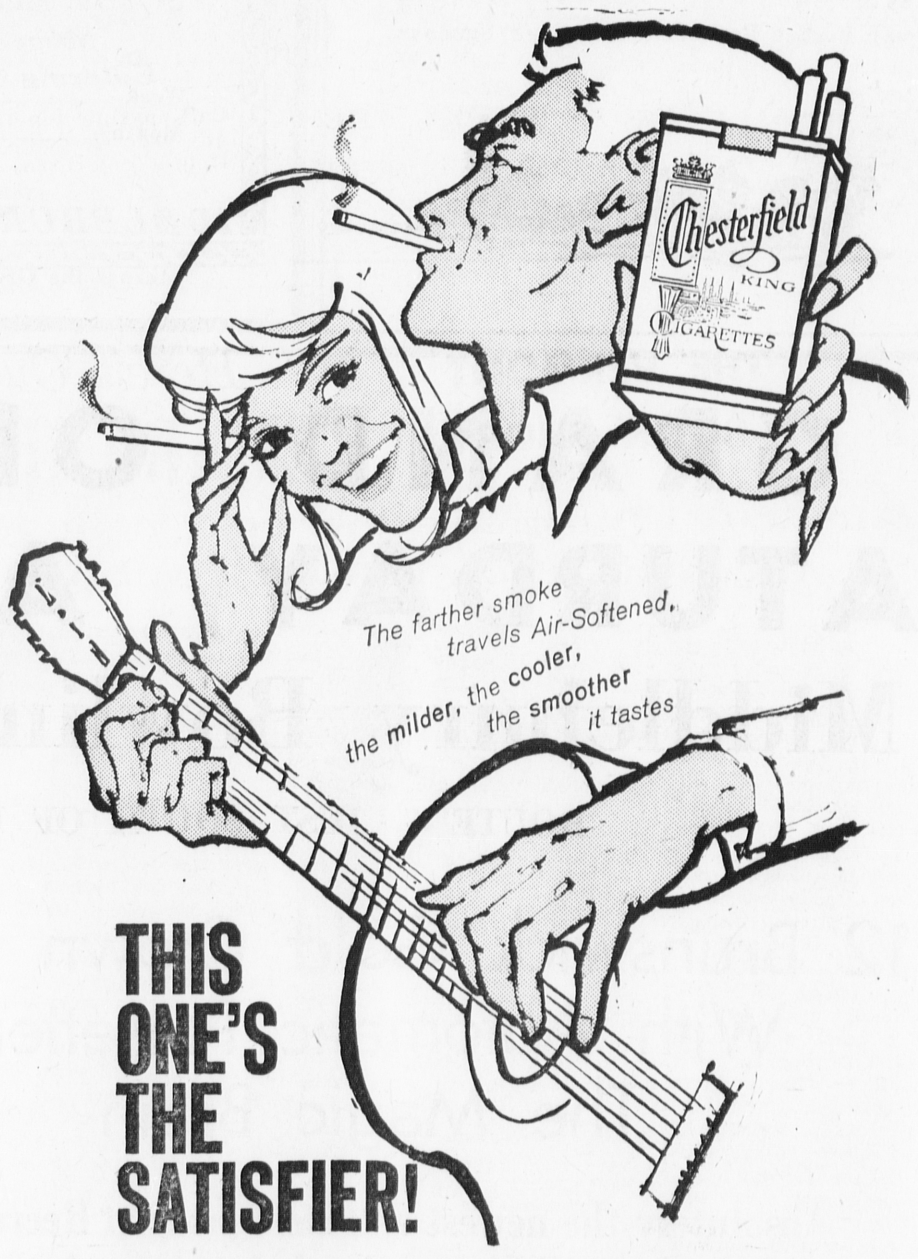

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Laotian Crisis . . .

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gest grafter in Laos, an American contractor, is also the Bangkok agent for that magazine. Or at least he was in 1959.

American aid to Laos instead of creating a strong and stable government which, given the peculiar character of Laos, would be almost impossible anyway, has made the U. S. an object of ridicule — if not worse. I had barely been in the country an hour when non-Americans pointed to such things as a shiny Mercedes or the Constellation Hotel and told me that they had been paid for by American tax dollars. These additions to the Vientiane scene had been the result of corruption and black market currency deals which were underwritten by the U. S. and ended only in early 1959 by a currency devaluation. This, incidentally, was one of the widest-known forms of corruption and waste in the aid program.

Unfortunately there are others. The above-mentioned contractor cut on specifications and then bribed inspectors, at least some of which were Americans, to approve the work. This probably explains why so much of the Vientiane — Luang Prabang highway washes out during each monsoon season.

Wasted Money

In addition to outright corruption, much money has been wasted on valueless or near valueless projects. For example, when I was in Vientiane, I was told that 33,000 acres of jungle were being cleared for a university. Even if that figure were a mistake and the actual one was 3300, it would still be a fantastically large area. This is especially true when one discovers that only educational and no major physical plans have been made for the university. It should be obvious to anyone that by the time the university is ready to be built, the ground will be overgrown again unless there is an expensive program to keep it clear during the intervening years. It apparently never occurred to anyone to clear the ground as needed. But on the other hand, I must say that the educational plan for the university was one of the most realistic official ideas that I heard while I was in Vientiane.

The U. S. maintains the motor vehicle ferry across the Mekong to Thailand. Of course as part of this it was necessary to make sure that the ferry personnel have nice uniforms. And I have an idea that the same uniform-happy individual was responsible for seeing to it that the Vientiane pedicab boys have uniforms also. It is difficult to imagine why else the pedicab boys in Vientiane, of all places, were the only ones in the Far East that I saw with uniforms.

Why The Wastefulness

The major reason for such profligate wastefulness is simply that Laos was too primitive to absorb to advantage all the money that our government has thrown into it. This money was poured in by some Washington official despite the fact that an economic study group had prescribed smaller doses of cash and a military group had recommended a smaller army. In short, someone had the bright idea that the more money which was spent, the better things would be. If that same "genius" had applied that same "logic" to sleeping pills, he would be dead. And as the present situation shows, our position in Laos could hardly be worse even if we had not spent one cent there, let alone more than $300 million.

The naive American notion that almost anything can be bought with money, or that the more expensive something is, the better it is, can be considered amusing when practiced by individuals in their own personal affairs, but when it becomes a principle of government it can be disastrous. This is not to say that the U. S. should terminate all aid programs. But it does mean that such programs should be undertaken only after careful scrutiny of many factors and when competent advice is given it should be acted upon, rather than "improved" upon. If this lesson is taken to heart in Washington, as well as the first one which I mentioned, then perhaps we may be compensated to a certain extent for our present tribulations in Laos.

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Lacrosse and Baseball Squads Split In Openers; Track Defeated By Ephmen; Golfers Lose at R.P.I.

Diamondmen Fell Clarkson By 5-4 Score

By KEN VERNON

The Middlebury baseball team split two games over the weekend. The Panthers won a 5-4 squeaker over Clarkson in the season's opener, but dropped a 10-2 decision to Williams College on Monday.

John Bower, Middlebury's Nordic ski champion, showed his ability on the diamond as he and Sabin Streeter combined to defeat Clarkson. Bower collected two hits, scored a run, drove in another run, and stole three bases including a daring theft of home.

The Panthers trailed Clarkson 3-0 until the seventh inning when they scored three runs on four walks, a squeeze bunt, an error, and Bower's steal of home. In the eighth inning, Bower doubled home Ken Vernon, who had singled for Middlebury's only other hit. This proved to be the game's winning run.

Sabe Streeter pitched well for Middlebury, allowing only one earned run while posting his first victory of the season. Captain Ted Mooney turned in the defensive gem of the day with a running one-handed catch of a long drive in the fifth inning.

Monday's game was a nightmare for the team as it committed eight errors while losing to Williams, 10-2. The biggest sufferer was Middlebury pitcher Sabe Streeter as he watched his teammates make seven bobbles during his seven inning tenure on the mound. Dick Ashworth pitched the final two frames.

Middlebury scored its only runs of the game in the second inning when Chris Morse doubled, stole third and scored on Dick Rapp's single to right. Rapp then scored when the Williams rightfielder let Gil Owren's single skip through his legs for a two-base error.

The Panthers have a full schedule this week against Wesleyan on Friday and MIT on Saturday.

LAST SPRINT: Freshman Pete Wood is rounding the last turn of the mile run after overtaking the second Williams runner in a strong finish. Wood also sprinted hard to make up a wide gap and finish first in the two mile run.

Linksmen In 7-0 Defeat

The varsity Golf Team started the season with an unfortunate first match against a well-prepared RPI team at Troy, N. Y. last Saturday. Because of bad weather and poor practice conditions, which caused a cancellation of the scheduled first match against Amherst at Rutland, the squad went down to defeat — to the last man.

Captain Linny Faxon, playing number one, shot a 76, but lost 2 and 1 when his opponent scored a sizzling 72. Ron Stubing, number two man, was defeated 6 and 4 as his opponent also played the eighteen holes in the low seventies. George Geckle, playing number three, and Dates Fryberger, shooting fourth, lost two and one, and three and two respectively. Keith

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WPI Taken By Lacrosse Team 8-6

The Middlebury College lacrossemen started the season off impressively in their first two starts. The first found the Panthers on the tail end of a close 7-6 score, but the following was an exciting 8-6 victory over W. P. I. before an enthusiastic Junior Weekend crowd.

The Panthers journeyed to Middletown to engage Wesleyan College. They held leads of 4-2, and 6-4, but were finally overcome 7-6. Coach Joe Marrone emphasized two factors in the defeat. First, the squad was in poor condition having had no play for ten days prior to the game due to fickle weather. The second disadvantage was the injury to Jerry Stoner. This left the defense to Parker, Graham, and Green. They played courageously, each going over 55 minutes, but there was no one with the experience to share the load. The attack did well with Higgins getting two goals and Swain, Van Nes, Prichard, and Savage scoring one a piece.

In the game against W. P. I., the Panthers played a sluggish first half and left the field trailing 5-2. However they seemed to find new life in the second stanza, and outscored the Engineers 6-1. The attack sparkled, with Smokey Baker getting two goals and McLean and Van Nes each chipping in a pair. Nichols and Savage added one each. The defense played very well, refreshed by the return of Stoner, and Rosbeck did his usual good job in the goal. "The boys showed me a lot on Saturday," said Morrone. "I think we can go on and have a winning year. Lacrosse is on the way up here at Middlebury."

CAMPUS SPORTS

By JOHN CARPENTER

The Middlebury track team looked much better than was expected in its first meet of the year against a seasoned Williams team. Middlebury lost the meet 89 1/3-45 2/3, but with the decided handicap of an unusually late start on the cinders this season. Most of the events which Williams won were those which they had practiced all winter on their indoor track. Middlebury, on the other hand, without an indoor track, had been outdoors for less than a week before the meet.

The Panthers were without the services of one of their best men, Captain Steve Green. Steve suffered a strained ligament after twisting his ankle the morning of the meet, but expects to compete Saturday at Trinity.

Williams' Karl Neuse, son of Professor and Mrs. Neuse of the Middlebury German department, turned in the most outstanding time of the meet, winning the 440 in 50.3 seconds. He also won the 220 yard dash in 22.6 seconds. Henrion and Ash accounted for most of the Williams scoring, aside from Neuse, with three and two firsts, respectively.

Wood Surprises

Middlebury freshman Pete Wood did an outstanding job, finishing first in the 2 mile and 2nd in the mile. Pete went to a high school without a track team but trained for the 26 mile Boston Marathon. He entered it twice, placing 90th and 75th out of approximately 200 entries. Jeff Foote, another Middlebury standout, hurled the discus 133' 2½", only 4 feet short of the school record. Bry Jones took a first by pole vaulting 11 feet as Bill Warner and Keith Van Winkle tied for third for Middlebury in that event. Middlebury also did well in the jumping events. Larry Noyes placed first and Wally Lucas tied Cecil Forester for third in the broad jump. Gene Sapadin tied Williams' Judd for first, and Cecil Forester and Steve Crampton tied for 3rd in the high jump. Also for Middlebury, Tom Suess lived up to expectation with close seconds in both the 100 and 200 yard dashes, and Bruce Bailey placed second in the low and third in the high hurdles. Our only half-miler, Bill Jones, who was able to run for only two weeks of spring practice, finished with a respectable third.

Middlebury coach Stub Mackey was pleased with his team's performance and is looking forward to the development of its potential in the coming weeks.

Mile Run: 1st, Ash W, 4:43; 2nd, Wood M; 3rd, Allen W* *440 Run: 1st, Neuse W, 50.3; 2nd, Osburne W; 3rd, Barber W* *100 Yds. Run: 1st, Henrion W, 10.3W; 2nd, Suess M; 3rd, Deichman W* High Hurdles: 1st, Henrion W, 16.3; 2nd, Stewart W; 3rd, Bailey M* 880 Run: Ash W, 2:00.4; 2nd, Osburne W; 3rd, Wm. Jones M * 220 Dash: 1st, Neuse W, 22.6; 2nd, Suess M; 3rd, Deichman W * 2 Mile: 1st, Wood M, 10:35.8; 2nd, Anderson W; 3rd, Kifner W * Low Hurdles: 1st, Henrion W, 24.9; 2nd, Bailey M; 3rd, Penrod M*.

Hammer: 1st, Pope W, 115' 8"; 2nd, Conn M; 3rd, Cox W Pole Vault: 1st, Jones M 11'; 2nd, Churchill W; 3rd, Warner M, Van-Winkle, K. M* Shot: 1st, Hufnagel W, 43'2"; 2nd, Bell W; 3rd, Foote M * Discus: 1st, Foote M, 133' 2½"; 2nd, Hufnagel W; 3rd, Judd W * Broad Jump: 1st, Noyes M, 20' 3"; 2nd, Russell W; 3rd, Forester M, Lucas M * Javelin: 1st, Judd W, 166'; 2nd, Benton W; 3rd, Hennon W * High Jump: 1st, Sapadin M, Judd W; 3rd, Forester M, Stewart W, Crampton M *

ON THE ATTACK: Junior Don Swain maneuvers around a Worcester Tech defenseman in an attempt to get off a shot.

THE FIELDS finally dried out enough for the home part of the spring sports schedule to get underway. The Panthers managed to win two and lose one contest in action over the weekend.

Thursday afternoon, with the ROTC Corps looking on most of the time, the baseball team disregarded a shaky first-inning and went on to beat Clarkson 5-4. Sabe Streeter's control was a big factor in the win. The Panthers were able to get only three hits in the game and two were by skier John Bower. The highlight of the game was Ted Mooney's backhand grab of a deep fly to left.

IN LACROSSE, the stickmen lost at Wesleyan 7-6, but knocked off Worcester Tech in their home opener here. They were down 5-2 at the halftime break but roared back wih six goals to W. P. I's one to win 8-6.

THE TRACK SQUAD was not able to extend its upset streak over Williams as it lost heavily on Saturday although it actually did well. Captain Steve Green twisted an ankle in Gifford Hall and was unable to even hobble much less run a mile or two. Freshman Pete Wood took over for him and put on a great display of running to place second in the mile and first in the two mile. Running third after 3 and ½ laps of the mile, Pete put on a burst of speed to easily catch Williams' second runner. It was this same burst of speed that enabled him to make up at least a twenty yard spread in the last lap to catch both Williams runners for the win.

Home Contests

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Craig was formerly chaplain and teacher of religion at the Lawrenceville school. He has also served as pastor of the Community Church in Southern Pines, N. C.

BUSH LEAGUE

Softball is finally here. The boys were finishing up their training last Friday while sipping a few cool ones so it was hard to tell who would be our best players and the teams from that exhibition. But here goes our annual spring forecast.

SIG EP appears to this writer to be the strongest in a rather weak league. They have such illustrious stars as their ace pitcher, Phil Latrielle, Mouse Hubbard, Badge, Johnny Hornbostle and Billy McNeill. They shouldn't lose often.

ATO, always a softball power, again seemed to keep their boys off the Varsity league so that they could field a strong team. Simson, Delano, Connal and Bernene should keep the boys organized and should win quite a few games by their comparative lack of miscues.

DKE should again be up near the top. It lost heavily throught graduation but will still have a winning record due to their spirit and constant practice on their lawn. Ferguson, Schosberg and Ralph should be some of their better players.

DU's best players from last year, ie, Morse, Dyson. Ross, Baker and Pritchard all seem to have turned spring athlete and will not be able to play. Chatfield, Coy and Hultgreen are the only holdovers from last year's Championship team.

CHIPSIE should make the last berth in the first division. Caramella, Wood, Dabney and Kolmehnian will again rely on finesse to win their share of games.

Second Division

THE RANCH will be eratic this year and could pull a few upsets, but the overall outlook is the second division. Whitten, Sylvester, Frame and Floyd along with frosh Jeff Pelton will be the mainstays.

PIKITEE has been having Sunday afternoon practices at Bittersweet and feels it will be ready when the guns sounds. It will be led by Charles Michael Gately, Sandy Schwartz, Molineux and Schumann.

THETA CHI, according to Jerry Dworkin, is on the upgrade but still appears to be a year away from the first division. John Weekes, now in top shape, should lead a young, but promising rookie crop.

ZETE with speedy Mike Caola, Hughie Weissman and Dan Sokoloski, will have a lot of fun and could pull a surprise or two, as could any team in the league.

SLUG has such stars as pitcher, Steve Greene, Crazy legs Gay, Buddy Cusimano and Pete Benson but lacks severely in depth.

Well, that's about it for Stubes. Next week my right hand man, Jose, will take over and be with you for next year. Thanks again for reading my column. So long.

Ron Stubing

Golf . . .

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Dollar, at fifth position, had the closest match of the day and was edged out one-up on the eighteenth hole of play. Arnie Levinson lost 2 and 1, and Reid Johnson (the only new member on the squad) was defeated 3 and 2.

Although the final result of the match left something to be desired, the team feels that with some much-needed practice the score could easily have been closer. At any rate, the boys got to play their first full eighteen holes of the season, and the weather was pretty fair. If the Vermont weather man decides to give us a little less rain, the team should be able to get into shape quickly and give Wesleyan and Williams a difficult weekend's work.

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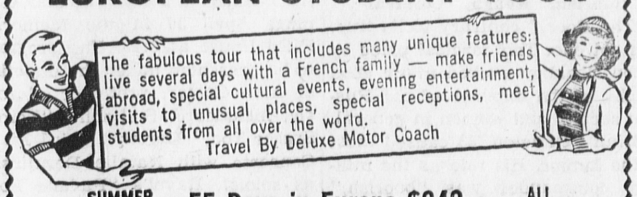

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DR. FROOD'S THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: *A little learning can be a dangerous thing—especially in a multiple-choice exam.*

DEAR DR. FROOD: I have been training our college mascot, a goat. He has learned how to open a pack of Luckies, take out a cigarette, light up and smoke. Do you think I can get him on a TV show?
Animal Husbandry Major

DEAR ANIMAL: I'm afraid not. To make TV nowadays, you've got to have an act that's really different. After all, there are millions of Lucky smokers.

DEAR DR. FROOD: I am a full professor—and yet I stay awake nights worrying about my ability to teach today's bright young college students. They ask questions I can't answer. They write essays I don't understand. They use complicated words that I've never heard before. How can I possibly hope to win the respect of students who are more learned than I am?
Professor

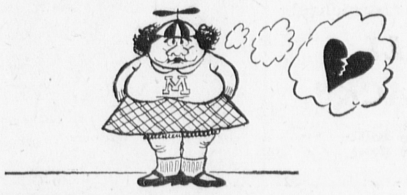
DEAR PROFESSOR: I always maintain that nothing impresses a troublesome student like the sharp slap of a ruler across his outstretched palm.

DEAR DR. FROOD: I have calculated that if the population explosion continues at its present rate, there will be a person for every square foot of earth by the year 2088. What do you think of that?
Statistics Major

DEAR STATISTICS: Well, one thing's sure, that will finish off the hula-hoopers—once and for all.

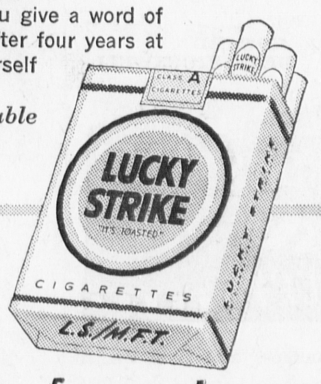
DEAR DR. FROOD: You can tell your readers for me that college is a waste of time. My friends who didn't go to college are making good money now. And me, with my new diploma? I'm making peanuts!
Angry Grad

DEAR ANGRY: Yes, but how many of your friends can do what you can do—instantly satisfy that overpowering craving for a peanut.



DEAR DR. FROOD: Could you give a word of advice to a poor girl who, after four years at college, has failed to get herself invited on a single date?
Miss Miserable

DEAR MISS: Mask?



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One Acts Review ...

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dialogue to song, displaying a pleasing competence in both.

Boorish, Rough, Comical

"The Boor," contrary to its title, was not one. This farcical piece by Anton Chekhov evoked many good laughs at the expense of old Russian society and women in general.

Brian Pendleton '63 caused most of the humor. His role as the military commander was "boorish," rough and comical. Pendleton had good timing; he was quick on the comeback against his female adversary, Martha Kilgore '61. Giving into audience response, however, he tended to push his part to slapstick extremes.

Miss Kilgore was less than believable as the mourning, noble Mrs. Popov. At the outset of the play she appeared more petulant than exaggeratedly grieving. Later in the play, in the duelling scene particularly, she gave a correct portrayal of pride and obstinance. A wonderfully funny bit of character acting was done by Tim Wawrzeniak '63 as Luka, Mrs. Popov's highly excitable servant.

Junior Weekend...

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Micati noted that although the weather was not always ideal and some of the fraternities' outdoor parties had to be cancelled everything went well. He added, "Again may I express my sincere gratitude to every member of the Junior Weekend committees for their spirited efforts and cooperation."

Arts Festival . . .

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The Vermont Symphony Orchestra will give a concert Sunday evening, April 30 in the Memorial Field House at 8:15. The program to be presented under the direction of Alan Carter, professor of music, includes J. S. Bach's "Komm Susser Tod," Bartok's Third Piano Concerto with Natalie Derujinsky as soloist, Ravel's "Pavane Pour Une Infante Defunte" and Brahm's Double Concerto for Violin, Cello and Orchestra with Virginia deBlasiis, violinist, and George Finckel, cellist, as soloists.

Miss Derujinsky and Miss deBlasiis are both graduates of the Juilliard School of Music, and Finckel is presently a member of the music department at Bennington College.

Eight Middlebury students are regular members of the orchestra: Susan Riley '61, clarinet; Ahren Cohen '62, tympani; Mary Auryansen '63, flute; Deborah Peterson '63, violin; Sigrid Roggenkamp '63, viola; Randall McNamara '64, trombone and Marilyn Kramer '64, clarinet.

Drama to the Front

Drama comes to the front Thursday and Saturday evenings, May 4 and 6, as William Saroyan's "The Time of Your Life" comes alive on the stage at Wright Memorial Theater.

Highlighting the week's activity will be a panel discussion on "Art: Understanding Through Participation." The discussion, which is to take place Friday, May 5 at 8:15 in Wright Memorial Theater, will be carried on by seven men working in the arts. Charles Lewis, who is associated with WCAX and is interested in improving TV programs by putting on items of cultural interest, will moderate. Others on the panel include: Paul Aschenbach, a sculptor who teaches at the University of Vermont and has exhibited widely; Francis Colburn, also a teacher at Vermont and a prize-winning painter; William S. Cowles, Jr., an architect who was a forerunner in bringing contemporary design to Vermont.

Also, Greg Falls, drama director at the University, who was in charge of a Shakespeare Festival last year; Richard Janson, a Yale graduate who has taught at Mt. Holyoke and who is now the director of the Fleming Museum in Burlington; and Dan Kiley, a nationally and internationally famous landscape architect.

The closing offering of the Festival will be a Choir Concert at Mead Chapel on Sunday, May 7 at 8:15 p. m. The choir conducted by James G. Chapman will present works representative of several centuries of religious music.

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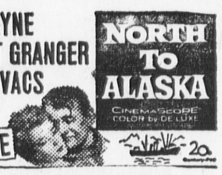

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